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for

Rt. Rev. John J. Murray, S.J.L.

PASTOR OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
Peabody, Massachusetts

ST. JOHN'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 1957

PROGRAM

Honorary Chairmen of Reception and Anniversary Observance

Rev. Alexander E. Szytko

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Rev. J. Peter Keohan

General Chairman Francis J. Sheehan *at 11*

OPENING PRAYER *Szytko*

ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM

Entertainment Chairman Mrs. Edward Kozwicz

Master of Ceremonies Edward A. Kozwicz

St. John's Girls Glee Club

"You Are Thrice Welcome," "I'm Wishing," "Eternal Life"

Judith Berry

"Singin' the Blues," "I'll Take Romance"

Ulysses Fournier

"The Whispering Ranger"

Patricia Jermyn

Dance Stylist

St. John's Boys Choir

"Panis Angelicus," "Ave Maria," "Ad Annos Multos"

Charles McNiff

"Danny Boy," "For You"

Edith Fournier

"Etude" by Chopin

John Hart

"You'll Never Walk Alone," "The Rose of Tralee"

Alice Roche O'Connor and the St. John's Holy Name Choir

"Mother," "Juravit"

Edward A. Kozwicz

"On the Street Where You Live," "Old Man River"

Accompanists

Edith Griffen Fournier, Lena Armstrong, Rosemarie Bonfanti, Ann Quinn

St. John's Girls Glee Club and Boy's Choir

directed by Sr. Patricia Gertrude, S.N.D.

St. John's Holy Name Choir directed by Mr. Francis Sheehan

INTRODUCTION OF INVITED GUESTS

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PRESENTATION OF GIFT Reverend Alexander E. Szytko

RESPONSE Right Reverend John J. Murray, S.T.L.



RIGHT REVEREND JOHN J. MURRAY, S.T.L.
Pastor of St. John's Church

OUR BELOVED PASTOR

Monsignor Murray was born in Peabody and baptized in the parish church where he is now the pastor. His complete grammar school education was received in our parish school. He then attended St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers and upon graduation enrolled at St. Anselm's College, Manchester, N. H. After graduating from St. Anselm's in 1927 he entered St. John's Seminary in Brighton, where he studied for five years. He was ordained to the Priesthood on May 27th, 1932, by the late William Cardinal O'Connell.

Monsignor Murray's first parochial assignment was to St. Mary's Church in Scituate, where he remained until 1933 when he began post-graduate studies in Sacred Scripture at the Catholic University of America. It was from the latter university he received the degree of Licentiate of Sacred Theology. Parish assignments then included Blessed Sacrament, Jamaica Plain and St. Lawrence, Brookline, where he remained until 1940 when he was made professor at St. Clement's Hall, St. John's Seminary. There he taught history and Greek. He, likewise, taught at Regis College, Weston, for nine years and was a member of the Advisory Board of the Carney Hospital School of Nursing. In 1946 he was appointed by Archbishop Cushing to be the dean of St. Clement's Hall, a post he held until 1951 when he was chosen by Archbishop Cushing to be the first rector of the new Cardinal O'Connell Preparatory Seminary at Jamaica Plain. In 1951, Monsignor Murray was honored by His Holiness, Pius XII, when he was made a papal chamberlain and given the title of Monsignor. Further honors came in December 1956 when the Holy Father designated him as a Domestic Prelate.

At the April meeting of the National Catholic Educational Association last year Monsignor Murray was elected to the high post of vice president general of this national organization. In addition to his administrative work, Monsignor Murray was chaplain of the Aristos Club and the Serra Club for seven years. He is also a member of the Board of the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

It was on January 15, 1957, that Monsignor Murray was appointed pastor of St. John's.

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